GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
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INSURED PERSONS UNDER E.S.I. COVER
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of insured persons under ESI cover at present in the country;

(b) the break-up of such figure, State-wise;

(c) the ratio of hospitals for the insured persons in Bihar;

(d) whether the hospitals are less in number than the requirement in the State;

(e) if so, whether any review is likely to be done to assess the need for providing more medical facilities in the States; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a): 86,01,100 (as on 31-3-2000).

(b): The requisite information is annexed.

(c) & (d): There are three ESI hospitals with 152 beds inBihar meant for providing medical care and treatment to 76,930 Insured persons. The bed occupancy of ESI hospitals in Bihar is very low and as such there is no shortage of hospital beds for insured persons in Bihar.

(e) & (f): The requirement of new ESI Hospitals at a particular place is assessed by the State Government and the same issanctioned on need basis by the ESIC keeping in view the norms/guidelines evolved in this regard from time to time.